

51 DENTAL SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

51 Dental Squadron

STATIONS

Osan AB, South Korea,

ASSIGNMENTS

51 Medical Group

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

On a disc Sable, a taeguk Proper charged with a Greek Omega Or, intersecting to form the Omicron and Delta, surmounted by a stylized staff of Aesculapius Argent, serpent Vert in bend, all within a narrow border Blue. Attached above the disc, a White scroll edged with a narrow Blue

border and inscribed "CURATIONIS ALIQUANDO QUOVIS" in Blue letters. Attached below the disc, a White scroll edged with a narrow Blue border and inscribed "51ST DENTAL SQUADRON" in Blue letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Ultramarine blue and Air Force yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The rod of Aesculapius has long been a symbol of all five Corps within the Air Force Medical Service and is seen today in the occupational badges. It has been modified so that the serpent is wrapped around a spear instead of a staff, signifying the unit's position "at the tip of the spear" as military medical professionals. The spear signifies the determination and dignity with which the unit executes its mission. The interlocking gold Omega and Delta letters are the first two letters in "Odontus," the Greek word for tooth; this has become the international symbol of dentistry. The Yin and Yang symbol within Omega represents the holistic, balanced and preventative approach to comprehensive dentistry the unit practices, and is symbolic of the Squadron's ties to the Asian theater of operations. The motto, "Curationis Aliquando Quovis," translates "To Cure Anytime, Anywhere" and aptly describes the combat medical-dental mission of the unit.

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OPERATIONS

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